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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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Re: Application of Thadeus KEIPEK, Romaldo SKZYPEK, Augusto Ovidio  
SKRZYPEK and Jandir Antonio CANTELE  
CONTINUOUS VERTICAL PROCESSOR  
Our Ref. Q79880



Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 5 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 2 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. A copy of the Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (**Small Entity fees apply**):

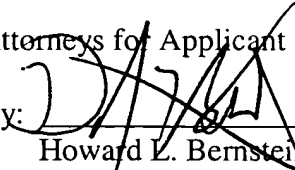
Total claims	<u>1</u> - 20	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$9.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
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Base Fee								\$385.00

<b>TOTAL FEE</b>								<b>\$385.00</b>
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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$385.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,  
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